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In re Application of  
SAUNDERS, Ian  
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: DECISION ON PETITION  
: UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(b)  
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This decision is in response to applicant's "Response to Decision on Petition under 37 CFR 1.47(b)" filed 28 November 2007. In a decision dated 05 June 2007, applicant's renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.47(b) to accept the application without the signature of inventor, Ian Saunders, was dismissed without prejudice.

The petition for status under 37 CFR 1.47(b) is moot since the declaration filed 28 November 2007 with the present renewed petition was executed by the named inventor, the previous non-signing inventor, Ian Saunders. The declaration filed 28 November 2007 is acceptable under 37 CFR 1.497.

For the reasons above, the renewed petition is **DISMISSED** as moot. The application need not be returned to this Office for any further consideration of Rule 1.47 status and no such status should be indicated on this application file.

The application has an international filing date of 02 April 2003 under 35 U.S.C. 363 and a date of 28 November 2007 under 35 U.S.C. 371(c).

This application is being returned to the United States/Elected Office for processing in accordance with this decision.

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